

# AVONDALE HOUSE AND FORREST PARK

15min Drive from Hotel - Parking at Avondale car park

## Avondale Cairn Walk

Avondale House, famed for its beautiful forests and Charles Stuart Parnell's home place. This walk starts in the children's playground and is an easy ramble along the open parkland known as the Great Ride to reach the Cairn. These rocks were assembled here when by the first foresters who cleared the land before planting. The route then goes in through a range of forest types. You'll see beech, oak, Sitka spruce, pine and Douglas fir along the way. The route is easy underfoot and suitable for sturdy children's buggies.

**Grade:** Easy, the route can be walked in either direction

**Distance:** 2.3km

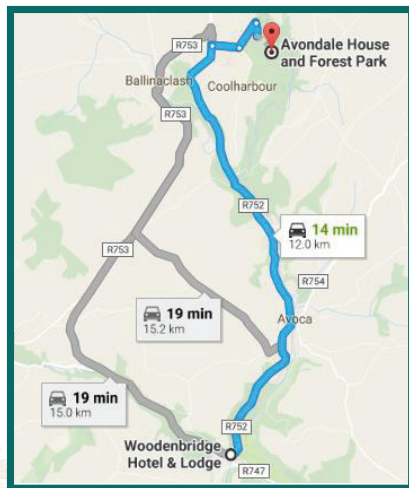
**Estimated time:** 1hrs to 1.5hrs

**Total height climbed:** <50m

**Highest point:** 120m

**Terrain underfoot:** Grass Path & Forest Road

**Suitable for:** Young families



## Avondale Centenary Walk

Avondale House, set on over 600 acres of parkland and forest is a hidden gem in the heart of Wicklow. Celebrating 100 years of Irish Forestry from 1904 to 2004 the Centenary Trail takes you through the history of the forestry in what was once a forest training centre. The trail brings you through maple, sycamore, beech, larch, oak, Spanish chestnut, Douglas fir and Scots pine with many of the trees over 100 years old. 20 information posts are dotted along the route with information on the trees.

**Grade:** Easy, the route is marked with Centenary Trail logo.

**Loop trail distance:** 5km

**Estimated time:** 1hrs – 1.5 hours

**Total height climbed:** 100m

**Highest point:** 130m

**Terrain underfoot:** Track.

**Suitable for:** All ages



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